



# Fredon Facts & Features

April 2022



## April Recycling Dates

Monday April 4th 5 AM

Monday April 18th 5 AM



Recycling pick-up takes place on the **first** and **third** Monday of each month. Please place recyclables out for the scheduled day regardless of any holidays. Place containers out on the **Sunday night before** the scheduled pick-up day. More information on single stream recycling can be found on the web site. Click [here](#).

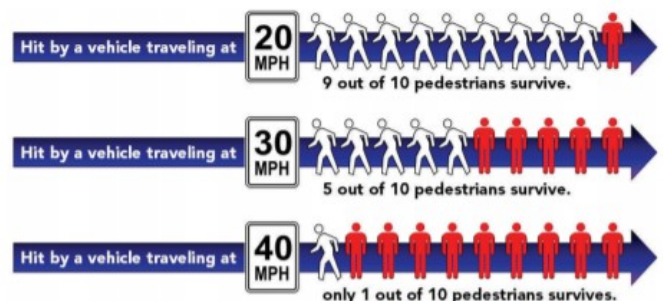


Studies show that the majority of speeding on local roads is done by drivers who live in those neighborhoods. Modeling good behavior is often a surprisingly easy and effective way to inspire it in others. When you drive in your neighborhood, make sure you're driving at the same safe, posted speed you want others to go, and encourage your friends and family to do the same.

Driving more slowly literally slows down the traffic behind it, and moving at a reasonable pace sends everyone the message that this is a residential area, not a freeway.

### STOP NEIGHBORHOOD SPEEDING

A little extra speed makes a big impact.



# Voting on April 19th

- **Municipal Referendum**
- **Fredon School Budget & Board Members**

All districts vote at the Civic Center on Tuesday, April 19th from 6:00 A. M. to 8:00 P.M.

## **Municipal Referendum Question:**

### **Public Question**

"Shall the Township Committee of the Township of Fredon be authorized to increase its adjusted tax levy by \$215,968 more than the allowable adjusted tax levy, which is 9.6% more than the allowable adjusted tax levy as provided by N.J.S.A. 40A:-45.44 et seq. and shall it be authorized to increase to adopt the 2022 Municipal Purposes Budget in excess of the increase limitation by 21.70% or 474,094.87 as provided by N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3(i)."

### **Explanatory Statement:**

A "yes" vote will authorize the governing body of the municipality to award a 5-year contract for Curbside Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials Collection and Disposal Services including weekly trash collection, twice monthly recycling collection and monthly bulk collection. The quarterly cost for the average household in the Township of Fredon for these services would be less than the standard rates residents pay for weekly trash collection.

A "yes" vote will also authorize the governing body of the municipality to adopt the budget that was introduced and published that provided for an increase in the tax levy over the allowable property tax levy cap, and an increase in the allowable municipal appropriations over the amount authorized by State law at the rate of increase described in the ballot question.

A "no" vote means that the governing body must amend the budget through appropriation reductions or allowable non-property tax revenue increases in order to adopt the budget within the tax levy and appropriation increase limits set forth by law.



# Municipal Offices Closed

The Fredon Township Municipal Building will be closed on Friday, April 15th in observance of Good Friday. The Municipal Offices will reopen on Monday, April 18th at 8:00 A. M.



## State of New Jersey Property Tax Reimbursement Senior Freeze

### 2021 Form PTR-1 New Jersey Senior Freeze (Property Tax Reimbursement) Application

- File your application by —  
October 31, 2022
- For more information call —  
1 (800) 882-6597

**IMPORTANT**  
This form is for applicants who did NOT  
receive a 2020 Senior Freeze.

If you have a BLUE BOOK that needs to be filled out by the tax collector, the form can be mailed or dropped in drop box (without social security number) and they will be mailed back to you or it can be brought into the office Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P. M.

## ATTENTION SENIORS

The Sussex County Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Senior Services publishes a monthly newsletter with information on support groups, tips, events, meetings, etc. relevant to seniors. [Click here for the April publication](#)



# **2022**

## **Fredon Township**

### **Bulk Pick-Up Information**

Bulk Pickup is provided for all residential dwellings located on roads regularly serviced by garbage haulers.

All Bulk pickup will be on the **date designated below**. Items may be put out as early as the Sunday before the bulk pick-up date, but no sooner. It **ABSOLUTELY** must be put out the **NIGHT BEFORE** the pick-up date - pick-up begins at **5AM**.

Bulk pick-up is **not** being picked up by your garbage hauler, so please do not **ASSUME** that if your garbage is still out there the bulk pick-up hauler has not been through the area.

#### **HOUSEHOLD ITEMS AND PATIO FURNITURE ONLY!**

**Interior household bulk items** such as stoves, refrigerators, furniture, carpets, etc., but **not** normal household garbage or bagged garbage. Building material, construction debris, other outdoor items and tires will not be picked up! Bulk pick-up is not intended for whole-house clean-outs - please contact a hauler for a dumpster if needed.

**~If it is small enough to fit in a garbage bag or can  
it is NOT bulk~**

If you have any questions regarding bulk pickup, please contact the municipal building at 973-383-7025, Ext. 21.

## **2022**

### **BULK PICK-UP WILL BE PROVIDED ON THE**

### **FOLLOWING DATE:**

## **April 7th**

The following items WILL NOT BE PICKED UP for bulk pick-up:

**Televisions**

**Monitors**

**Computers**

**Laptop Computers**

**Printers**

**FAX machines**

**Copiers**

**Tablets**

The New Jersey Electronic Waste Management Act bans the disposal of these electronic devices and mandates that they be recycled. These items may be recycled at the following locations: SCMUA Collection Programs - Regular Operations (scale charges apply), Scheduled free annual recycling events, or New Jersey Manufacturers and Retailers.

# New Office Hours Effective April 4th

Effective Monday, April 4, 2022 the Municipal Building Hours of Operation will be as follows:

Monday	- 8:00 A. M. - 4:00 P. M.
Tuesday	- 8:00 A. M. - 4:00 P. M.
Wednesday	- <b>CLOSED</b>
Thursday	- 8:00 A. M. - 4:00 P. M.
Friday	- 8:00 A. M. - 4:00 P. M.
Saturday	- <b>CLOSED</b>
Sunday	- <b>CLOSED</b>



## About Garage Sales...



Every year the Township receives calls from residents asking questions about ordinance regulations relating to Garage Sales. The following addresses the most frequently asked questions and complaints.

### **Are Permits required to hold a garage sale?**

Fredon Township does not require a permit to have a garage sale, but there are some regulations that must be followed.

### **Are signs advertising a garage sale permitted?**

Yes, but each year this office receives complaints about signs that are not removed following "garage sales." Signs remaining in various locations around town are not only unsightly but also a violation of the sign ordinance. All signs must be removed immediately following the sale.

### **Is an ongoing garage sale permitted?**

Another problem that has arisen in the past was the "garage sale" that continued over several consecutive weekends. Garage sales are not permitted to operate in the same location on a weekly basis and to do so would require a variance for a business use and a site plan because it is considered a business.

If you have additional questions please contact the Code Enforcement Officer, Allison Larocca at 973-383-7025, Ext. #25.

# **Electronics Recycling Day**

## **Saturday – April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022**

**SCMUA Solid Waste Facility  
34 State Route 94, Lafayette  
7:00 am to 2:00 pm**



**FREE OF CHARGE** for Sussex County residents

### **Accepted Electronics:**

**Cassette Players & Cassettes  
CD Players & CD's  
Copiers  
Cameras  
Computer Mice  
Desktop or Personal Computers  
Desktop Printers  
Desktop Fax Machines  
DVD Players & DVD's  
E-Book Readers  
Electronic wires, cabling, chargers  
Keyboards  
Laptops/Tablets  
MP3 Players  
Modems  
Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs)  
Scanners  
Speakers  
Stereo & Radio Equipment  
Televisions/Flat Screens  
VCR's & VRC Tapes**

**\* No Appliances Please \***



The SCMUA vendor for this event is  
*Electronic Recyclers International, Inc.*  
1-800-ERI-DIRECT

**For Information Call (973) 579-6998 or [www.scmua.org](http://www.scmua.org)**



# NEW JERSEY SAFE PASSING LAW

## *SLOW DOWN, MOVE OVER*



Your family, friends and neighbors are on the roads.

### **PASS 'EM LIKE YOU KNOW THEM**

NJ HAS MADE IT A LAW for drivers to take extra precautions to protect people on the road walking, running, riding a bicycle or scooter, pushing a stroller, in a wheelchair and others.

### **HOW?**

Practice now:

**EXPECT** many different road users.

**SLOW** on sight to determine safety.

**MOVE OVER** a lane if you can.

### **PASS ONLY WITH AT LEAST FOUR FEET FOR SAFETY**

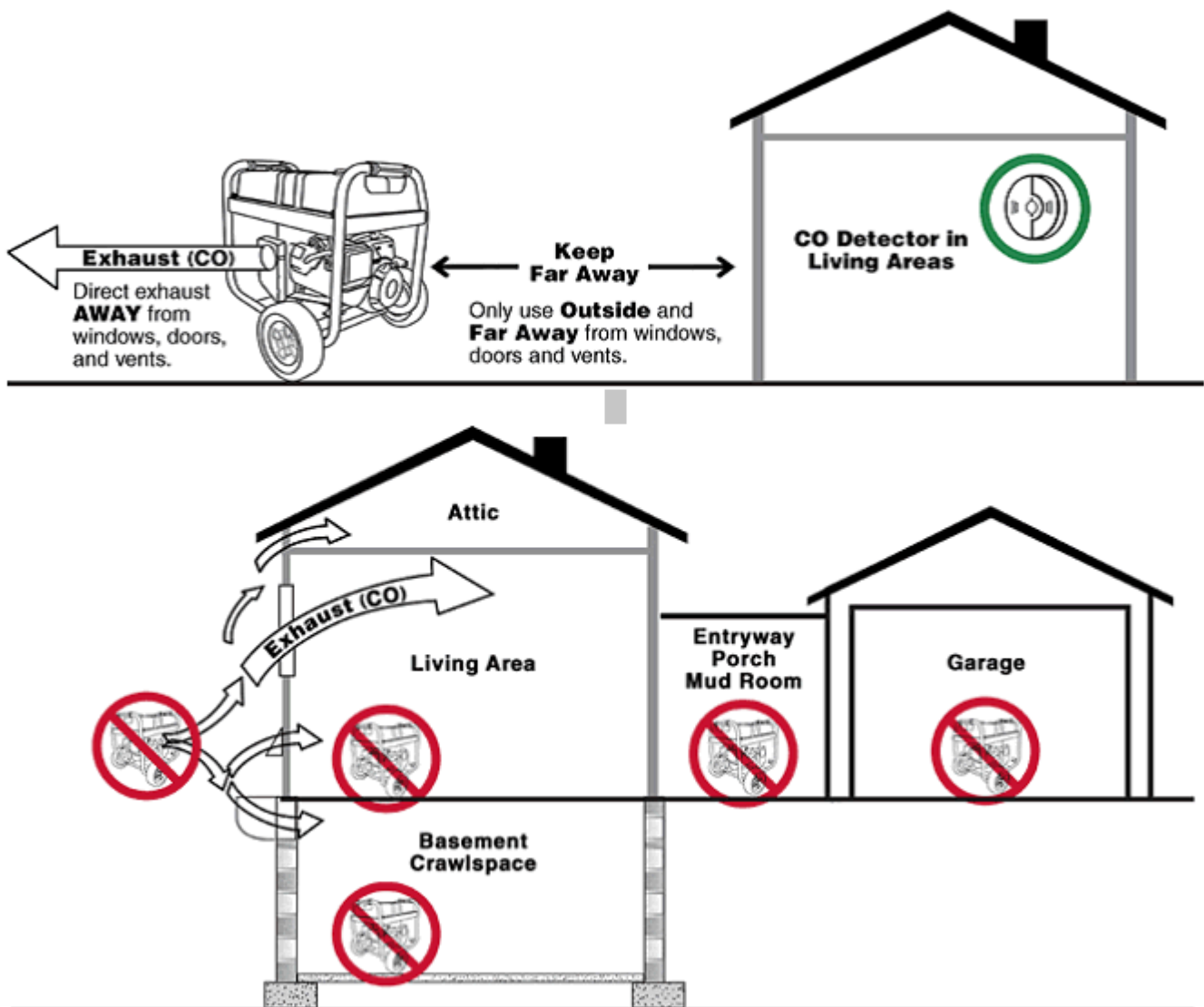
Learn more at <https://njbwc.org/team4nj/>





## JCP&L Storm Update

Jersey Central Power & Light reminds customers to take precautions when using generators during power outages. Emergency power generators offer an option for customers needing or wanting uninterrupted service. However, to ensure the safety of the home's occupants as well as that of utility company employees who may be working on power lines in the area, the proper generator should be selected and installed by a qualified electrician. When operating a generator, the power coming from the home should always be disconnected. Otherwise, power from the generator could be sent back into the utility lines, creating a hazardous situation for utility workers.





# Who Owns What?

## Ownership Guidelines for Your Home's Electrical System

When your home's exterior electrical system is damaged, it's important to understand which components are our responsibility and which are yours.

**If you receive overhead electric service, we are responsible for the following components:**

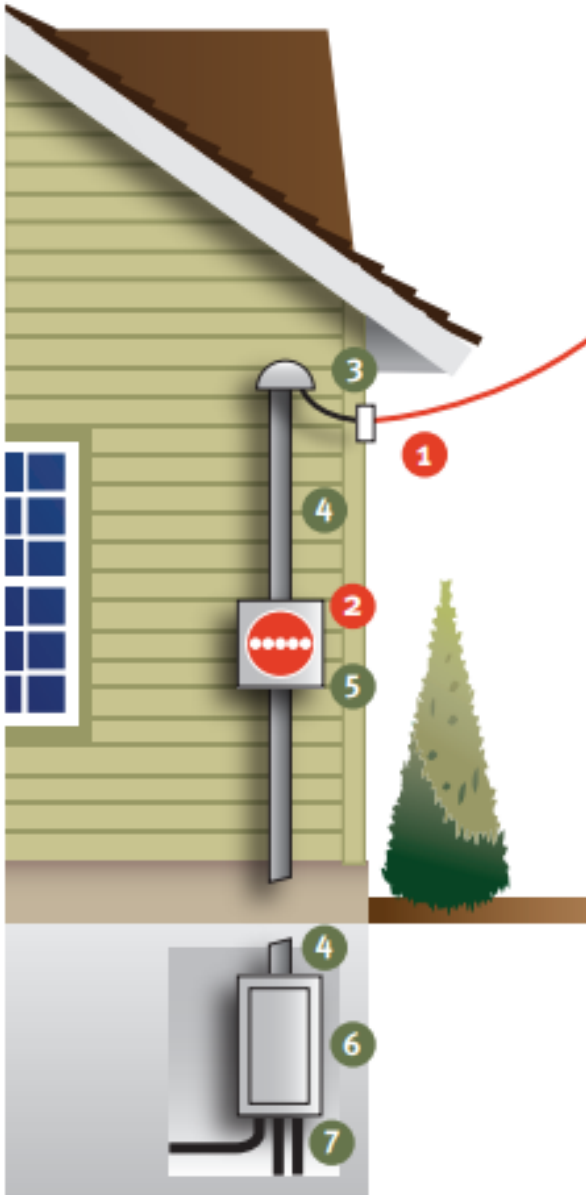
1. **Service Drop** – The wires running from the utility pole to your home.
2. **Electric Meter** – Measures your electricity use in kilowatt-hours.

**You own and are responsible for repairing the following:**

3. **Weatherhead and Insulator** – This is the point where our electric lines connect to your home.
4. **Service Entrance Cable** – The wire that extends from your weatherhead to the meter and from the meter to your fuse box or circuit breaker box.
5. **Meter Base** – Your meter is mounted in this box.
6. **Fuse Box or Circuit Breaker Box** – This is the main service panel that houses your fuses or circuit breakers.
7. **Household Wiring** – The interior wiring that distributes electricity through your home.

As a customer, it's also your responsibility to maintain open access to the meter and keep obstructions away from power lines that extend from the utility pole to your home. If trees on your property grow near power lines, don't prune or remove them yourself. Consult with a tree contractor who is qualified to work around electric equipment.

We all play an important part in making electricity safe and reliable. This fact sheet contains general ownership guidelines. For more detailed information, visit [www.firstenergycorp.com/builders-contractors](http://www.firstenergycorp.com/builders-contractors), or call 1-800-662-3115.



## Lodestar Park

### - if you bring your dog...



Lodestar Park has been friendly to dogs and those responsible for the park recognize that it is a great place to walk your dog. However, Lodestar Park is not a “dog park”, rather, a park where dogs can be with their owners. Unfortunately, there have been quite a few dog owners who disregard the park’s regulations and posted signs. This disregard for the regulations puts the existing policy at risk. If the current policy of permitting dogs in Lodestar Park is to continue, the regulations must be followed by everyone. While many may feel their dog is the exception to the rule, none are.

### **Please keep Lodestar “friendly” to dogs or you may lose this privilege.**

Section 5-13.2 of the Fredon Township General Ordinances state that no person owning any dog shall permit it to be upon any public place in the township unless it is controlled by an adequate leash not more than six feet long.

It takes a cooperative effort to make the park safe and comfortable for everyone, so please be aware of your surroundings and be considerate of others. This is for both the safety of your dog and the safety of others enjoying the park. Leash laws exist to protect animals and people, and we urge you, as a responsible pet owner, to abide by them.

### **In addition....**

In addition to the leash law, please follow these simple rules while visiting Lodestar Park:

- Please respect other park visitors: do not let your dog chase or jump on others, including other dogs.
- Please stay with your dog at all times.
- Please clean up after your dog and dispose of waste in trash cans located in the park.

## If We Can't Find You, We Can't Help You....

Have you ever wondered how easy or hard it would be to find your home in an emergency? In the dark? In a rainstorm? In a snowstorm? What about trying to find your house in hurry?



Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Services are dispatched by number & street name, **not** by owner's name or third house on the left, white with green shutters.... Please don't think that if your house is on fire it would be seen from the street! Many driveways in Fredon are long, with houses not fully visible from the street. And you certainly do not want the fire to be that big before the address is found. A group of mailboxes clustered together across the street only makes matters worse!

All houses must be numbered with at least three inch high numbers, per Fredon Township Ordinances. Number signs are available from the Fredon Volunteer Fire Company for placement at the end of driveways. Numbers can also be purchased at your local hardware stores. Whichever you choose - please number the end of your driveway - in an emergency - seconds count! Click [here](#) for the FVFC order form, signs delivered to your home!

**Seconds save  
lives...**

**This sign saves  
seconds!**

HOSTED BY THE  
FREDON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT & THE FREDON RECREATION COMMISSION

# EASTER BREAKFAST AND EGG HUNT

SATURDAY APRIL 9TH



## PANCAKE BREAKFAST & COLORED EGG CONTEST

HOP ON OVER FROM 9-11 AM AT THE CIVIC CENTER

## LODESTAR PARK EGG HUNT

PRE K | EGG HUNT BY BASKETBALL COURT

K-3 | EGG HUNT NEXT TO BASKETBALL COURT

4-6 | EGG HUNT ON LITTLE LEAGUE FIELD

AT 11:30 AM





# Bag Ban

## Starts

### May 1, 2022



**PLEASE  
BRING YOUR  
REUSABLE  
BAGS  
WHEN YOU SHOP!**

**BagUpNJ.com**

## 2022 BAG BAN

### Applies To Paper And Plastic Bags

Switch to reusable bags now

## WHAT'S BANNED, WHAT'S NOT

### BANNED

**SINGLE-USE  
PLASTIC BAGS**

**SINGLE-USE  
PAPER BAGS**

**POLYSTYRENE FOAM  
FOOD-SERVICE  
PRODUCTS**



### LIMITED

**SINGLE-USE  
PLASTIC STRAWS**



### EXEMPT

**NEWSPAPER BAGS**

**LAUNDRY BAGS**

**PHARMACY BAGS FOR  
PRESCRIPTION DRUGS**

**BAGS CONTAINING  
LOOSE VEGETABLES,  
UNCOOKED FISH,  
MEAT AND POULTRY**

